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Referred to Committee on Transportation

Introduced by:
(TRA)

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL NUMBER
PLATES FOR NURSES AND FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF
SCHOLARSHIPS FOR NURSING EDUCATION AND TRAINING
PROGRAMS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2008*) (a) On and after January
2 1, 2009, the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall issue
3 commemorative number plates of a design to express support for the
4 nursing profession, raise awareness of the nursing shortage and
5 provide scholarships for nursing education and training. Such design
6 may be determined by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, in
7 consultation with the Connecticut Nurses Association. No use shall be
8 made of such plates except as official registration marker plates.

9 (b) A fee of sixty dollars shall be charged for such number plates, in
10 addition to the regular fee or fees prescribed for the registration of a
11 motor vehicle. Fifteen dollars of such fee shall be deposited in an
12 account controlled by the Department of Motor Vehicles to be used for
13 the cost of producing, issuing, renewing and replacing such number
14 plates and forty-five dollars of such fee shall be deposited in an

15 account controlled by the Department of Public Health and used for
16 the purposes of subsection (d) of this section. No additional fee shall be
17 charged in connection with the renewal of such number plates. No
18 transfer fee shall be charged for the transfer of an existing registration
19 to or from a registration with commemorative nursing number plates.
20 Such number plates shall have letters and numbers selected by the
21 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles. The Commissioner of Motor
22 Vehicles may establish a higher fee for number plates: (1) Which
23 contain the numbers and letters from a previously issued number
24 plate; (2) which contain letters in place of numbers as authorized by
25 section 14-49 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes, in
26 addition to the fee or fees prescribed for registration under said
27 section; and (3) which are low number plates issued in accordance
28 with section 14-160 of the general statutes, in addition to the fee or fees
29 prescribed for registration under said section. All fees established and
30 collected pursuant to this section, except the amount deposited in the
31 account controlled by the department, shall be deposited in the
32 commemorative nursing account established pursuant to subsection
33 (d) of this section. The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles may adopt
34 regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the
35 general statutes, to establish standards and procedures for the
36 issuance, renewal and replacement of commemorative nursing number
37 plates.

38 (d) There is established an account to be known as the
39 "Commemorative Nursing account" which shall be a separate,
40 nonlapsing account within the General Fund. The account shall
41 contain any moneys required by law to be deposited in the account.
42 The funds in the account shall be distributed by the Department of
43 Public Health, in consultation with the Connecticut Nurses
44 Association, to provide scholarships for nursing education and
45 training. The Commissioner of Public Health may receive private
46 donations to the account and any such receipts shall be deposited in
47 the account.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	October 1, 2008	New section
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Statement of Purpose:

To provide for the issuance of commemorative nursing number plates to express support for the nursing profession, raise awareness of the nursing shortage and provide scholarships for nursing education and training.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]